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Activist William Woods to Speak at Cal Poly May 11

SAN LUIS OBISPO – Referred to as the Father of the Hawaii Gay Rights Movement, William Woods will speak on marriage equality in the Performing Arts Center's Phillips Hall (Room 124), Tuesday, May 11, at 6 p.m.

Woods has been credited with being the driving force behind Hawaiian and national movements to extend equal marriage rights to lesbians and gays, as well as founding and directing Hawaii's Gay and Lesbian Education and Advocacy Foundation for 17 years.

Woods will discuss the equality of gay marriage and promoting the empowerment of gay individuals or couples to become great educators and leaders.

"I believe that to have real couples bring their human issues to their friends, family and communities is the best way to put a face on equality and justice," said Woods.

The even will kick off Cal Poly's annual [Community Pride Week](#), which starts May 15. Community Pride Week is sponsored by Cal Poly's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Center (LGBT Center) to promote diversity and foster unity on campus and in the San Luis Obispo community.

The event is sponsored by the Growing Together Fund of the San Luis Obispo Community Foundation and the Pride Alliance LGBT Center.

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